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DECLARATION OF MARY FARIS

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Dear Sir:

I, Mary Faris, declare as follows:

1. I hold the position of Group Leader-Target Validation at Agensys, Inc. This position requires me to generate *in vitro* models for the study of cancer, and to investigate the effect of specific genes and gene products on tumor development, growth, and progression. This position also requires me to attend national and international conferences addressing issues in cancer research, and exhibiting established as well as cutting edge ideas. I have a Ph.D. in Immunology and Microbiology from Ohio State University, and have held two postdoctoral fellowships, one at the University of Virginia and one at the University of California at

Los Angeles, School of Medicine and have worked in the field of molecular biology for over 10 years. A copy of my *curriculum vitae* is attached as Exhibit A.

2. In connection with my work at Agensys, I performed certain experiments regarding the expression of STEAP-2 protein which is identified in the above-referenced application as having the amino acid sequence shown in Figure 9 and encoded by a cDNA insert in a plasmid deposited with the American Type Culture Collection as ATCC Accession No. PTA-311. As deduced from the coding sequence, the open reading frame encodes 454 amino acids with 6 transmembrane domains. A summary of the characteristics associated with STEAP-2 protein is shown on page 1 of Exhibit B.
3. The data set forth in the present patent application provide an expression profile of the STEAP-2 protein that is predominantly specific for the prostate among normal tissues, for certain types of prostate tumors as well as other tumors. This evidence is based on detecting messenger RNA using Northern blotting. We, in keeping with standard practice in our industry, use Northern blots routinely to assess gene expression, as it does not require the time consuming process of synthesizing the relevant protein, raising antibodies, assuring the specificity of the antibodies, required for Western blotting of proteins and the histological examination of tissues. Northern blotting offers a credible and efficient method of assessing RNA expression and expression levels.
4. I understand that the Patent Office has questioned whether this evidence is probative of the production of the STEAP-2 protein itself. The experiments that I will describe in this Declaration demonstrate that STEAP-2 protein is, indeed, produced. In summary, the experiments show that PC-3 cells and 3T3 cells which were modified to contain an expression system for STEAP-2 showed enhanced levels of tyrosine phosphorylation in general, and of phosphorylation of ERK protein in particular. The data also show that PC-3 cells that contain an expression system for STEAP-2 showed modified calcium flux, a modified response to paclitaxel, and a general inhibition of drug-induced apoptosis. These are effects exhibited at the protein level, thus these data alone are, in my opinion, probative that the STEAP-2 protein exists. Furthermore, although such phenotypic effects are protein-

mediated, further evidence indicates that the STEAP-2 protein itself is the mediator of the effects. This evidence is obtained by utilizing a modified STEAP-2 protein. An expression system is stably introduced into PC3 and 3T3 cells which allows the expression of a modified form of STEAP-2, designated STEAP-2CFI. STEAP-2CFI is a STEAP-2 protein having a peptide extension, i.e., a Flag epitope that alters the physical conformation of this protein. The Flag epitope is a string 8 amino acids, often introduced at either the amino or carboxy termini of protein as a means of identifying and following a recombinant protein in engineered cells (Slootstra JW et al, Mol Divers 1997, 2:156). In most cases, the introduction of the Flag epitope at either termini of a protein has little effect on the natural function and location of that protein (Molloy SS et al, EMBO J 1994, 13:18). However, this is dependent on the characteristics of the protein being Flag tagged. Recent studies have shown that a Flag tag affects the function and conformation of select proteins such as the CLN3 protein (see, e.g., Haskell RE, et al. Mol Genet Metab 1999, 66:253). As with CLN3, introducing a Flag epitope tag to the C-terminus of STEAP-2 alters the physical conformation and properties of this protein. Altering the STEAP-2 protein with the C-Flag epitope resulted in a significant decrease in the effects otherwise observed, including phosphorylation of ERK and resistance to drug-induced cell death. The data indicate that it is the STEAP-2 protein that mediated these phenotypic effects. Finally, *in vitro* translation studies using rabbit reticulocyte lysate, show that the STEAP-2 protein is translated and exhibits the expected molecular weight.

5. Turning, now to the experimental work itself, pages 2 and 3 of Exhibit B show the results obtained when PC-3 and 3T3 cells, respectively, were modified to contain the retroviral expression system pSR α encoding the indicated proteins, including STEAP-1, STEAP-2 and STEAP-2CFI, respectively. Gene-specific protein expression was driven from a long terminal repeat (LTR), and the Neomycin resistance gene was used for selection of mammalian cells that stably express the protein. PC-3 and 3T3 cells were transduced with the retrovirus, selected in the presence of G418 and cultured under conditions which permit expression of the STEAP-2 coding sequence. The cells were grown overnight in low concentrations of FBS (0.5-1% FBS) and were then stimulated with 10% FBS. The cells were lysed in RIPA buffer and quantitated for protein concentration. Whole cell lysates were

separated by SDS-PAGE and analyzed by Western blotting using anti-phospho-ERK (Cell Signaling Inc.) or anti-phosphotyrosine (UBI) antibodies (Exhibit B pages 2, 3 and 4). As shown on Exhibit B page 2, as compared to untransformed PC-3 cells, cells modified to contain STEAP-2 contain enhanced amounts of phosphorylated tyrosine. Similar results from an analogous experiment on 3T3 cells are shown on page 3. In this latter experiment, the STEAP-2CF1 expression system was also transfected into 3T3 cells, which cells were used as a control. As shown on Exhibit B page 3, the enhanced phosphorylation found in the presence of native STEAP-2 was significantly reduced when the conformation of the protein was altered. These results thus show conclusively that the STEAP-2 protein was produced and mediated the above-described phenotypic effects.

6. Page 4 of Exhibit B shows similar results, both in PC-3 and 3T3 cells where phosphorylation of ERK, specifically, is detected. The protocol is similar to that set forth in paragraph 5 above, except that rather than probing the gels with antibodies specific for phosphotyrosine the gels were probed both the anti-ERK and anti-phospho-ERK antibodies. As shown on Exhibit B page 4, in the presence of 10% FBS, both PC-3 cells and 3T3 cells modified to express STEAP-2 showed phosphorylation of ERK which was not detectable in cells transformed to contain STEAP-2CF1. In contrast to control PC-3 cells which exhibit no background ERK phosphorylation, control 3T3-neo cells show low levels of endogenous ERK phosphorylation. Treatment with 10% FBS enhanced phosphorylation of ERK protein in cells expressing STEAP-2 relative to 3T3-neo cells, while no increase in ERK phosphorylation was observed in 3T3 cells expressing modified STEAP-2, i.e. STEAP-2 CF1.
7. Other effects on cellular metabolism in cells modified to contain a STEAP-2 expression system were also shown in our data. Page 5 of Exhibit B shows that when cells with and without expression systems for STEAP-2 were measured for calcium flux in the presence of LPA, calcium flux was enhanced in the STEAP-2 containing cells. Using FACS analysis and commercially available indicators (Molecular Probes), parental cells and cells expressing STEAP-2 were compared for their ability to transport calcium. PC3-neo and PC3-STEAP-2 cells were loaded with calcium responsive indicators Fluo4 and Fura red, incubated in the

presence or absence of calcium and LPA, and analyzed by flow cytometry. PC3 cells expressing a known calcium transporter, PC3-83P3H3 pCaT were used as positive control (Biochem Biophys Res Commun. 2001, 282:729). The table on Exhibit B page 5 shows that STEAP-2 mediates calcium flux in response to LPA, and that the magnitude of calcium flux is comparable to that produced by a known calcium channel. In addition, STEAP-2 expressing PC3 cells demonstrated increased sensitivity to agatoxin, a calcium channel blocker as compared to PC3-neo cells. These results indicate that STEAP-2 expression renders PC3 cells sensitive to treatment with the Ca^{++} channel inhibitors. Information derived from the above experiments provides a mechanism by which cancer cells are regulated. This is particularly relevant in the case of calcium, as calcium channel inhibitors have been reported to induce the death of certain cancer cells, including prostate cancer cell lines (see, e.g., Batra S, Popper LD, Hartley-Asp B. Prostate. 1991, 19:299).

8. Page 6 of Exhibit B shows that cells transfected with a STEAP-2 expression system have enhanced ability to survive exposure to paclitaxel. In order to determine the effect of STEAP-2 on survival, PC3 cells lacking or expressing STEAP-2 were treated with chemotherapeutic agents currently used in the clinic. Effect of treatment was evaluated by measuring cell proliferation using the Alamar blue assay (Example B page 6). While only 5.2% of PC3-neo cells were able to metabolize Alamar Blue and proliferate in the presence of 5 μM paclitaxel, 44.8% of PC3-STEAP-2 cells survived under the same conditions. These results indicate that expression of STEAP-2 imparts resistance to paclitaxel. These findings have significant *in vivo* implications, as they indicate that STEAP-2 provides a growth advantage for prostate tumor cells in patients treated with common therapeutic agents.
9. A more detailed form of these results is shown on pages 7 and 8 of Exhibit B. Results in these two pages demonstrate the mode of action by which STEAP-2 supports the survival of PC3 cells. In these studies, PC3 cells expressing or lacking STEAP-2 were treated with paclitaxel for 60 hours, and assayed for apoptosis using annexin V conjugated to FITC and propidium iodide staining. In apoptotic cells, the membrane phospholipid phosphatidylserine (PS) is translocated from the inner to the outer leaflet of the membrane, thereby exposing PS to the external cellular environment. PS is recognized by and binds to annexin V, providing

scientists with a reliable means of identifying cells undergoing programmed cell death. Staining with propidium iodide identifies dead cells. The figures on page 7 show that expression of STEAP-2 inhibits paclitaxel-mediated apoptosis by 45% relative to paclitaxel-treated PC3-neo cells. The protective effect of STEAP-2 is inhibited when STEAP-2 is modified by the presence of Flag at its C-terminus (Exhibit B page 8).

10. The publicly available literature contains several examples of prostate and other cancers that exhibit similar phenotypic characteristics as those observed in PC3 cells that express STEAP-2. In particular, clinical studies have reported transient tumor regression and/or only partial responses in patients treated with paclitaxel. For instance, only around 50% of prostate cancer patients entered in a single agent clinical trial of paclitaxel showed reduced PSA levels when treated with doses of paclitaxel that induced grade 3 and grade 4 toxicity; a much higher level of response would have been expected based on this dose level, thus this data indicates the development of paclitaxel resistance in prostate cancer patients (Beer TM et al, Ann Oncol 2001, 12:1273). A similar phenomenon of reduced responsiveness and progressive tumor recurrence was observed in other studies (see, e.g., Obasaju C, and Hudes GR. Hematol Oncol Clin North Am 2001, 15:525). In addition, inhibition of calcium flux in cells that endogenously express STEAP-2, such as LNCaP cells, induces their cell death (Skryma R et al, J Physiol. 2000, 527:71).

11. I conclude from these results that STEAP-2 protein is produced not only in the cells tested, but also in unmodified tumor cells or unmodified prostate cells where the presence of mRNA has been shown. The Northern blot data in the specification clearly show that the messenger RNA encoding STEAP-2 is produced in certain prostate and tumor cells. The 3T3 and PC-3 cells, which are themselves tumor cell lines, are clearly able to translate the messenger RNA into protein. Because it has been shown that there is no barrier to translation of the message in cells similar to those tumor and prostate cells in which the mRNA has been shown to be produced, it can properly be concluded that the protein itself can be detected in the unmodified tumor or prostate cells, given the fact that it is shown that mRNA is produced. This conclusion is also supported by the patterns of phenotypic changes seen in cells

specifically modified to express STEAP-2, these changes comport with changes seen in cancer cells.

12. Based on the experiments above, therefore, I conclude that it is a sound conclusion scientifically that cells and tissues which produce mRNA encoding STEAP-2 also produce the protein itself.
13. I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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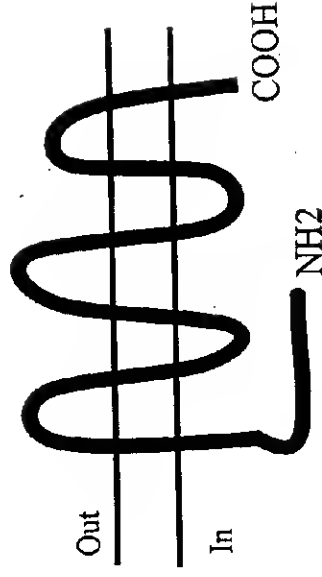
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STEAP-2 Characteristics

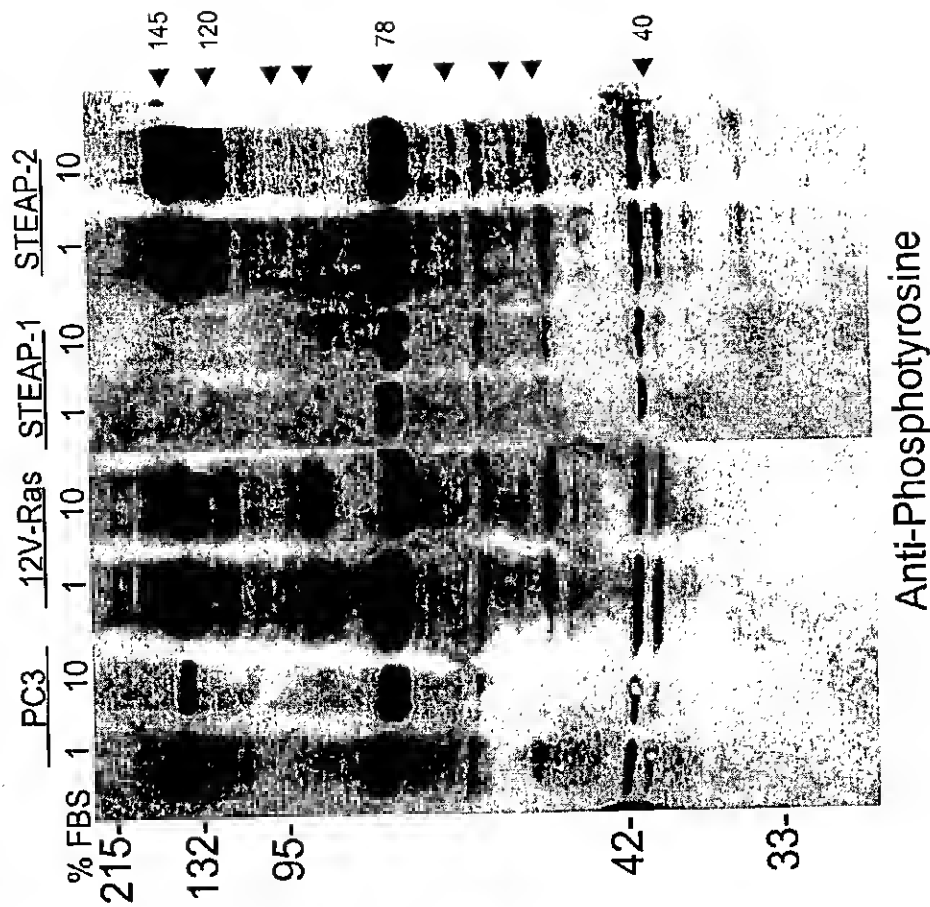
- The expression of STEAP-2 in normal tissues is predominantly restricted to the prostate.
- STEAP-2 is expressed in several cancerous tissues:
 - In patient-derived prostate, colon and lung cancer specimens
 - Multiple cancer cell lines, including prostate, colon, Ewing's sarcoma, lung, kidney, pancreas and testis
- By ISH, STEAP-2 expression appears to be primarily limited to ductal epithelial cells.



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Exh. 6.18 -1

STEAP-2 Induces Tyrosine Phosphorylation in PC3 Cells

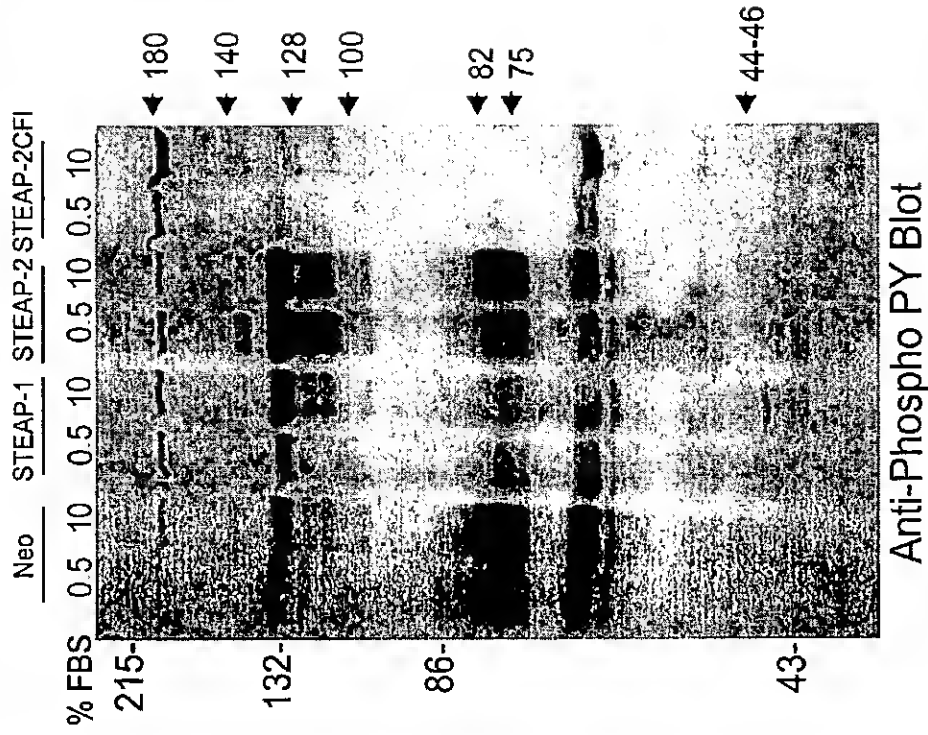


STEAP-2 induces the tyrosine phosphorylation of proteins at 140-150, 120, 75-80, 62 and 40 kDa.

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Exhibit B - 2

STEAP-2 Enhances Tyrosine Phosphorylation in NIH 3T3 Cells

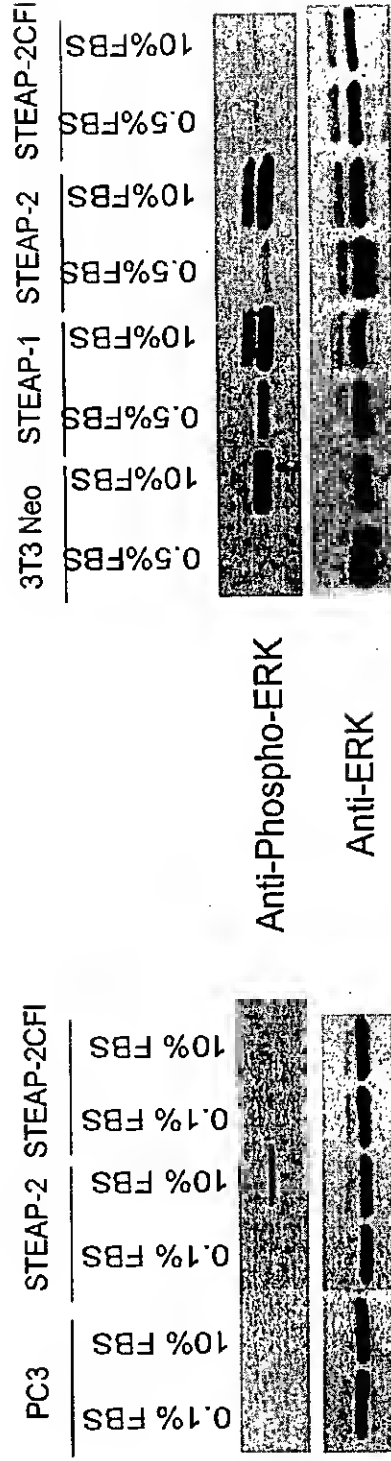


- STEAP-2 enhances the phosphorylation of p135-140, p78-75 by STEAP-2 in NIH 3T3 cells.
- STEAP-2 C-Flag enhances the phosphorylation of p180, and induces the de-phosphorylation of p132, p82 and p75.

Exhibit - 3

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STEAP-2 Induces ERK Phosphorylation



- STEAP-2 Induces ERK phosphorylation in PC3 and 3T3 cells in 0.5 and 10% FBS.
- Lack of ERK phosphorylation in 3T3-STEAP-2-cflag cells. Potential role as dominant negative.

Exhibit B - 4

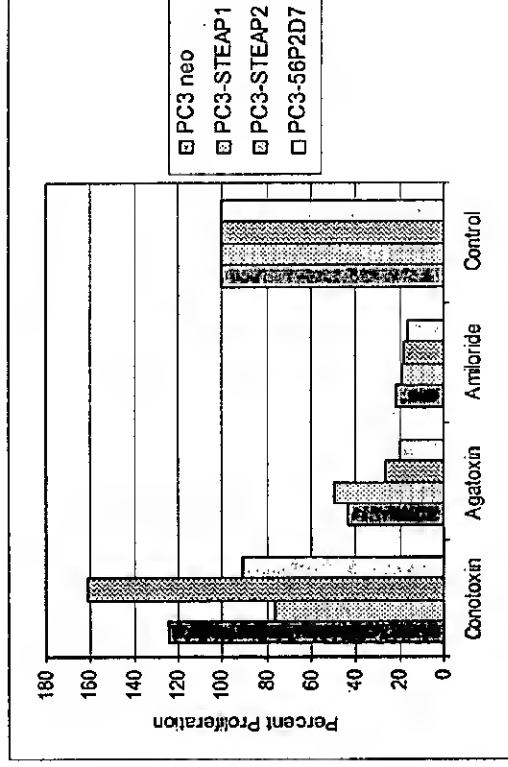
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STEAP Enhances Calcium Flux in PC3 cells

Calcium Flux

Cell line	Ca flux After LPA % Responding Cells
PC3-neo	22.9
PC3-STEAP-1	40.1
PC3-STEAP-2	47.9
PC3-CAT	46.9

Percent Proliferation



- PC-STEAP-1 and PC3-STEAP-2 exhibit enhanced calcium flux in response to LPA.
- PC3-STEAP-1 demonstrates susceptibility to the L type calcium channel inhibitor, conotoxin.
- PC3-STEAP-2 shown susceptibility to the PQ type calcium channel inhibitor, agatoxin.
- NDGA and TEA had no effect on the proliferation of PC3-STEAP-2 cells.

Exhibit B - 5

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STEAP-2 Alters the Effect of Paclitaxel on PC3 Cells

	Percent Survival		
	Neo	STEAP-1	STEAP-2
Doxonbicin 5uM	45.2	28.2	79.2
Doxonbicin 1uM	82.4	90.3	99.9
Doxonbicin 0.5uM	100.3	120.7	117.1
Doxonbicin 0.1uM	111.9	144.2	117.2
Paclitaxel 5uM	5.2	14.1	44.8
Paclitaxel 1uM	5.2	13.9	44.8
Paclitaxel 0.5uM	5.3	15.7	47.2
Paclitaxel 0.1uM	26.3	50.5	89.8

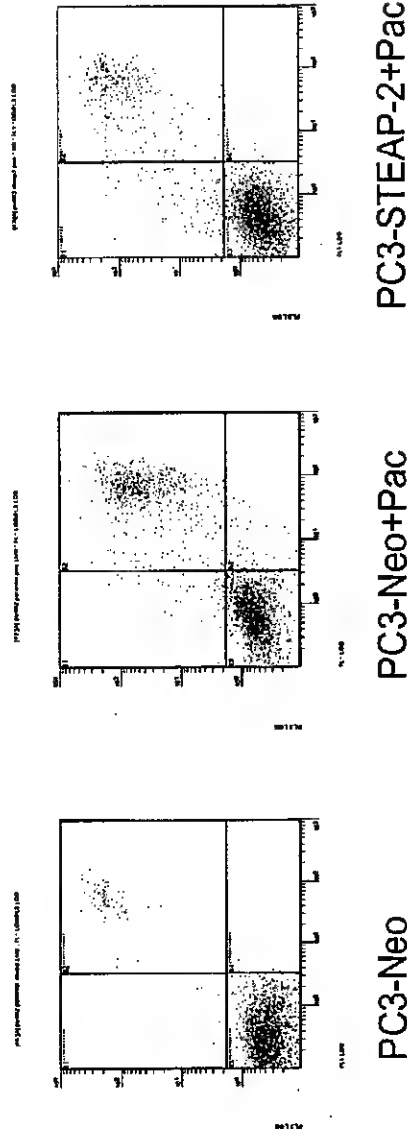
Other Chemotherapeutics Tested without yielding a differential response between STEAP-expressing and control cells:

- Flutamide
 - Genistein
 - Rapamycin
- STEAP-2 confers partial resistance to Paclitaxel in PC3 cells
 - Over 8 fold increase in percent survival of PC3-STEAP-2 relative to PC3-Neo cells.

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Exhibit B - 6

Inhibition of Apoptosis by STEAP-2



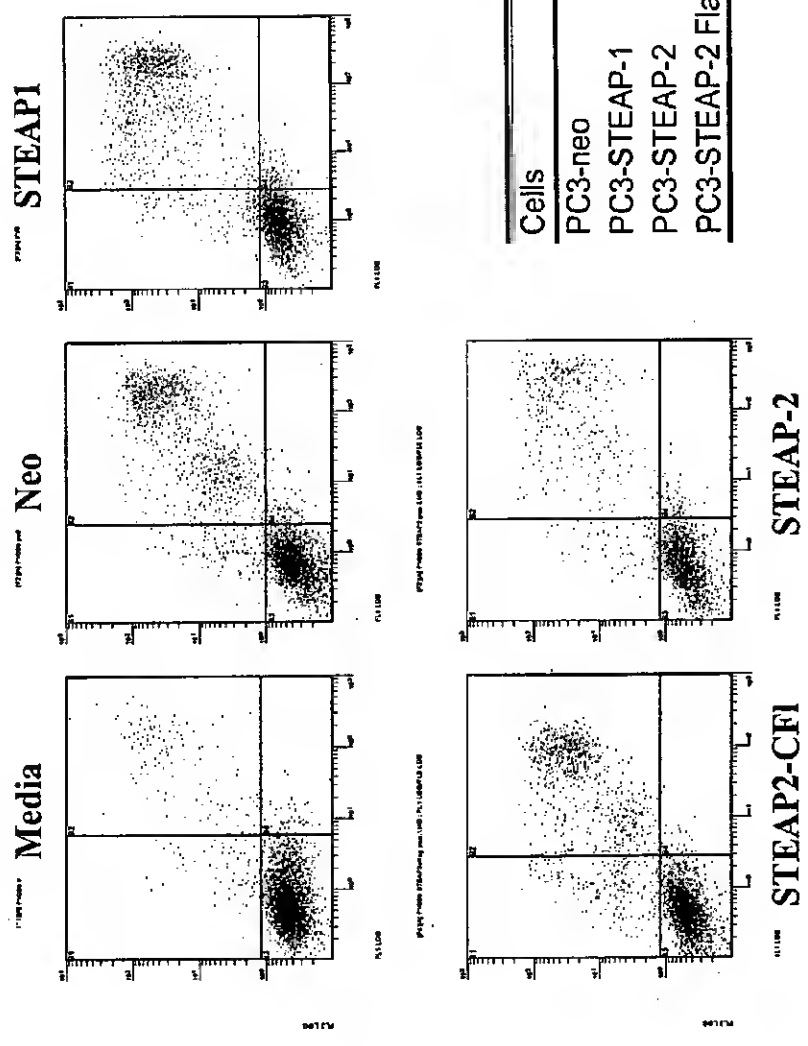
Cells	% Inhibition of Apoptosis
PC3-neo	0
PC3-STEAP-1	17.6
PC3-STEAP-2	45.3
PC3-83P3H3 pCaT	13.2

- PC3 cells were treated with paclitaxel for 60 hours and analyzed for apoptosis by annexinV-PI staining.
- Expression of STEAP-2 partially inhibits apoptosis by paclitaxel.

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Exhibit B - 7

STEAP-2 Attenuates Paclitaxel Mediated Apoptosis



Cells	% Inhibition of Apoptosis
PC3-neo	0.0
PC3-STEAP-1	5.0
PC3-STEAP-2	47.3
PC3-STEAP-2 Flag	28.4

- PC3 cells were treated with paclitaxel for 68 hours and analyzed for apoptosis.
- Expression of STEAP-2, but not STEAP-2CFI, partially inhibits apoptosis by paclitaxel.